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# Direct Detection of Dark Matter: Past, Present and Future 1.

Shared with Tom Shutt

## Historical perspective

The emerging mystery of the nature of dark matter

Emerging recognition that this is "Physics Beyond the Standard Model"

## Where we are and challenges ahead:

Four broad classes of models but no convincing hint so far

US G2 + equivalent world wide

## Where are we going?

Reaching the neutrino floor

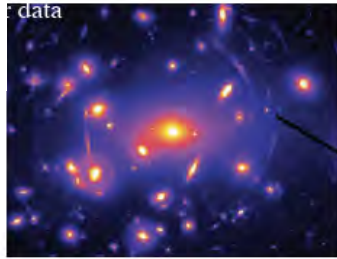
Other creative ideas

# The Emerging Mystery of Dark Matter

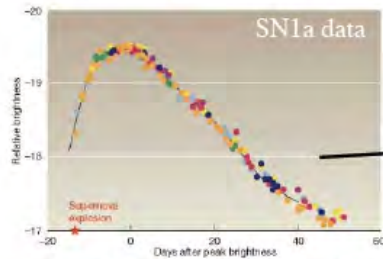
From Zwicky (1933), Vera Rubin (1970), Faber-Gallagher (1979)  
=>Convincing evidence for dark matter

<http://physics.ucsc.edu/~joel/Ay/214/Jan12-Primack-DM-History.pdf>

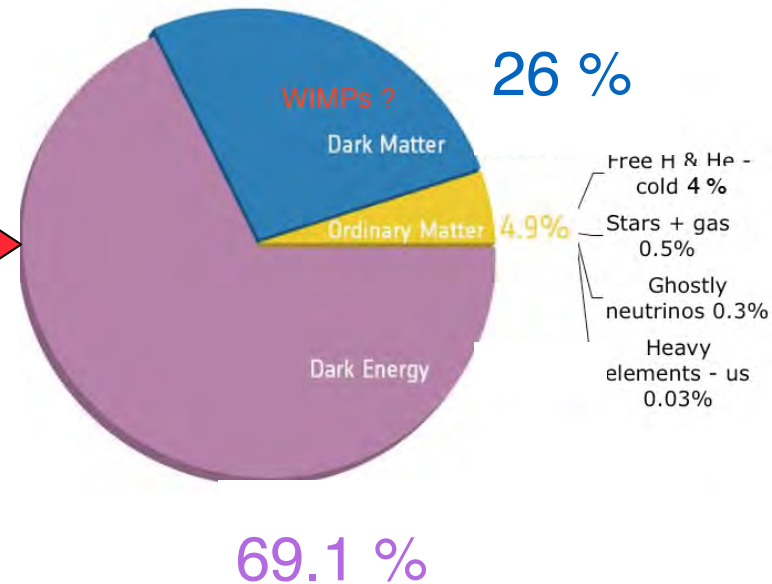
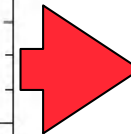
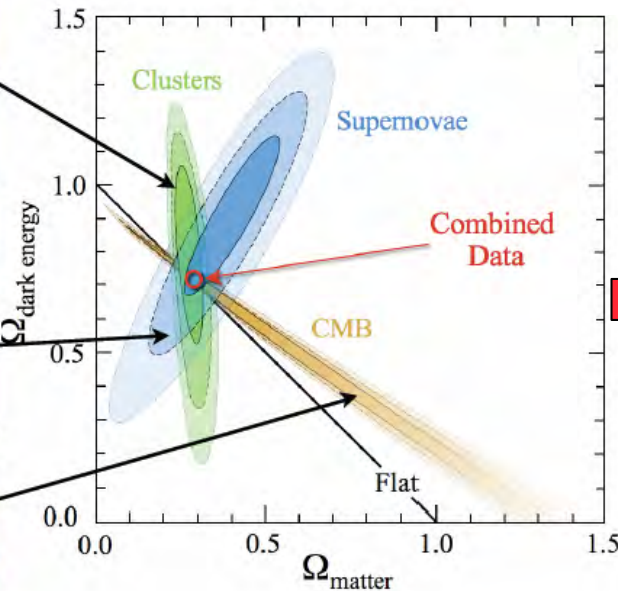
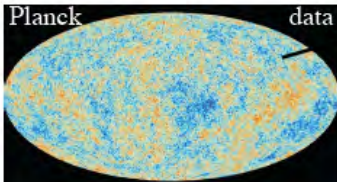
Clusters



SN1a



CMB



## The Ultimate Copernican Revolution

≠ Not made of ordinary matter! (Big Bang Nucleosynthesis, CMB)  
Somewhat eclipsed by the discovery of Dark Energy 1998

## Standard Cosmological model Lambda CDM!

Not light neutrinos! "Cold"=non relativistic at time of galaxy formation.

Extremely successful. No unambiguous sign of special properties

Dwarf galaxies: core, too big to fail? (Profumo)

# The rise of Nuclear/ Particle Astrophysics

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Emerging recognition that Dark Matter + Dark Energy requires "Physics Beyond Standard Model"  
Could be problem with Gravity

Unlikely for dark matter:

- segregation of matter from dark matter, fluid like properties
- failure of MOND and its relativistic generalization

Quite likely for dark energy

- $w \approx -1$ , cosmological constant like
- fundamental of the energy of vacuum: a not understood effect of quantization of gravity?  
or energy stored in additional dimensions

## Could it be particles produced in the early universe?

### Dark Matter

Seminal ideas from B Lee and S. Weinberg 1977, Silk and Srednicki, 1984

Goodman and Witten Jan 85: Direct detection is possible!

Proper account for coherence factors in neutrino scattering

Convergence with new low temperature technologies for coherent neutrino

Drukier and Stodolsky Dec 84

Cabrera, Krauss, Wilzcek, Dec 84

Rigberg Castle (LTD 1) March 87

Contrary to our naive expectation, nuclear recoils produce ionization

Ge: IGEX, Oroville exclude rapidly heavy Dirac and scalar neutrinos

Nuclear recoil discrimination (Shutt et al. 1992)

### Dark Energy from new field ???? Why $w \approx -1$ ?

# What kind of particle?

Particles in thermal equilibrium + decoupling when non-relativistic

Freeze out when annihilation rate  $\approx$  expansion rate

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_{DM} h^2 = \frac{3 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 / \text{s}}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle} \quad \Omega_{DM} \approx 25\% \Rightarrow \sigma_A \approx \frac{\alpha^2}{M_{EW}^2}$$

Cosmology points to W&Z scale

Inversely standard particle model requires new physics at this scale

$\Rightarrow$  significant amount of dark matter

**Weakly Interacting Massive Particles**

Dark Matter could be due to TeV scale physics

**A dark sector may be with dark matter—anti dark matter asymmetry**

If similar to baryon anti-baryon asymmetry (Kathryn Zurek)

$$\rho_{DM} \approx 5 \times \rho_{baryon} \Rightarrow M_{DM} \approx 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

Physics could be as complex as our ordinary matter sector:

if light mediator could be at small masses

**Sterile neutrino as warm Dark Matter**

May not help. 3.5keV line in question (Profumo)

**Athermal production: e.g., result of spontaneous symmetry breaking**

Main example Peccei Quinn axions to dynamically restore CP in QCD

But broader class "axion like" particles (sub-eV Dark Matter Workshop)

Could detect these by scattering of galactic dark matter on a suitable target in laboratory



# 4 Complementary Approaches

## Cosmological Observations



Planck

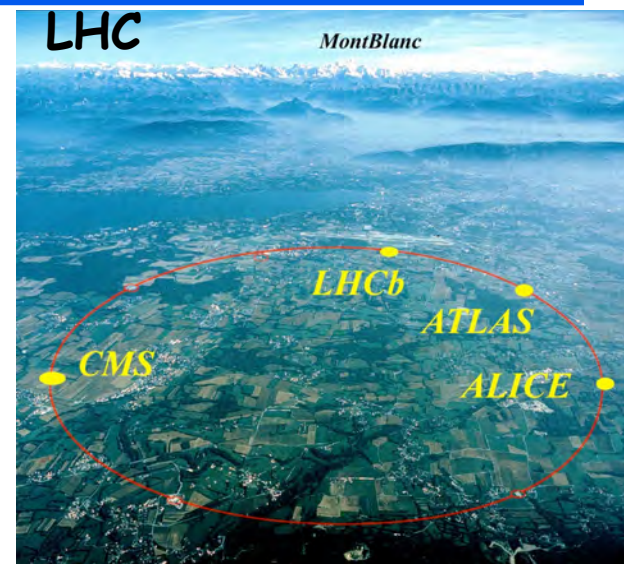


Keck telescopes



CDMS

## Dark Matter Galactic Halo (simulation)



## WIMP production on Earth

VERITAS, also HESS, Magic + IceCube (v)



## WIMP annihilation in the cosmos

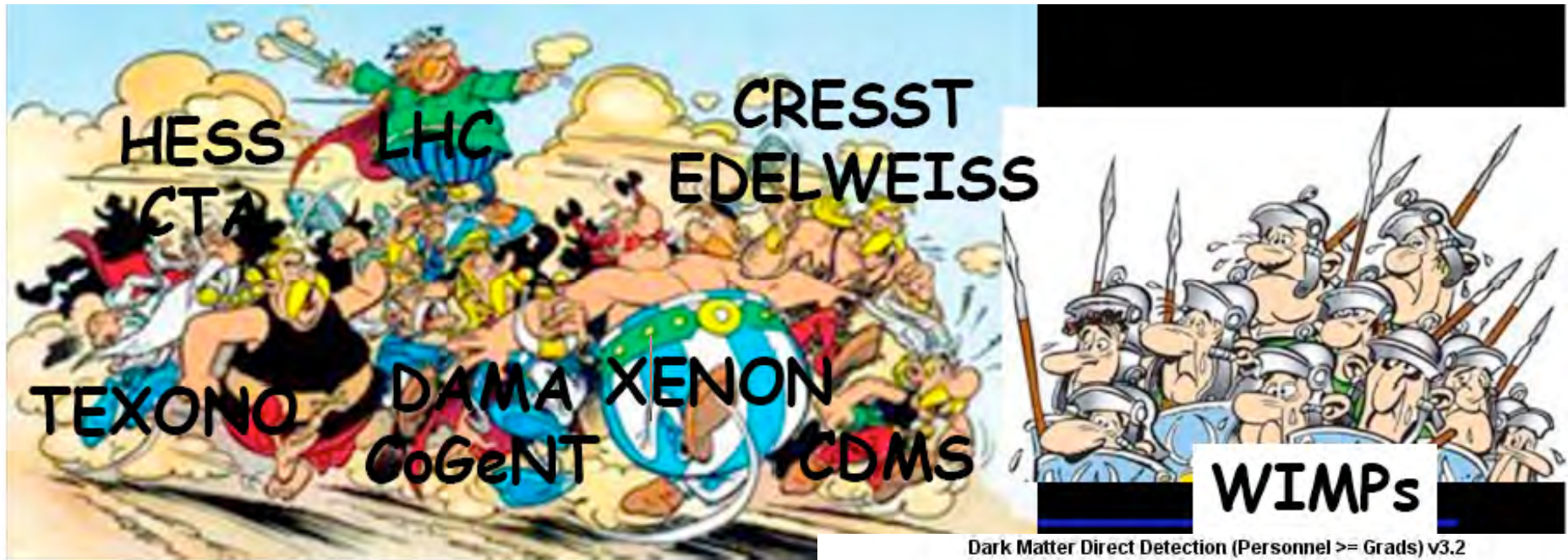


Fermi/GLAST

WIMP scattering on Earth: e.g. **Super CDMS, LUX etc.**

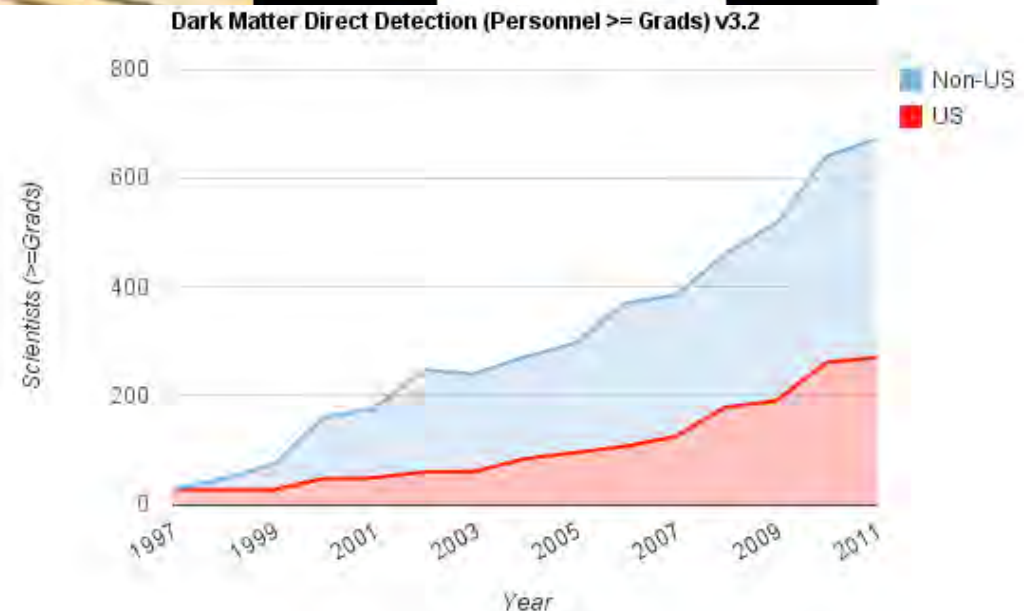
# An Active Field

Credit: Joerg Jaeckel



## Direct Detection An expanding community

2011 US  $\approx$  270 physicists  
 $\approx$  70% FTE  
Now?





# Where Are We ?

## At High Mass

Nothing so far  
Broadly consistent with the  
absence of SS  
observation at LHC

Focus point solution in  
CMSSM  $\approx 10^{-45}$  is mostly  
excluded

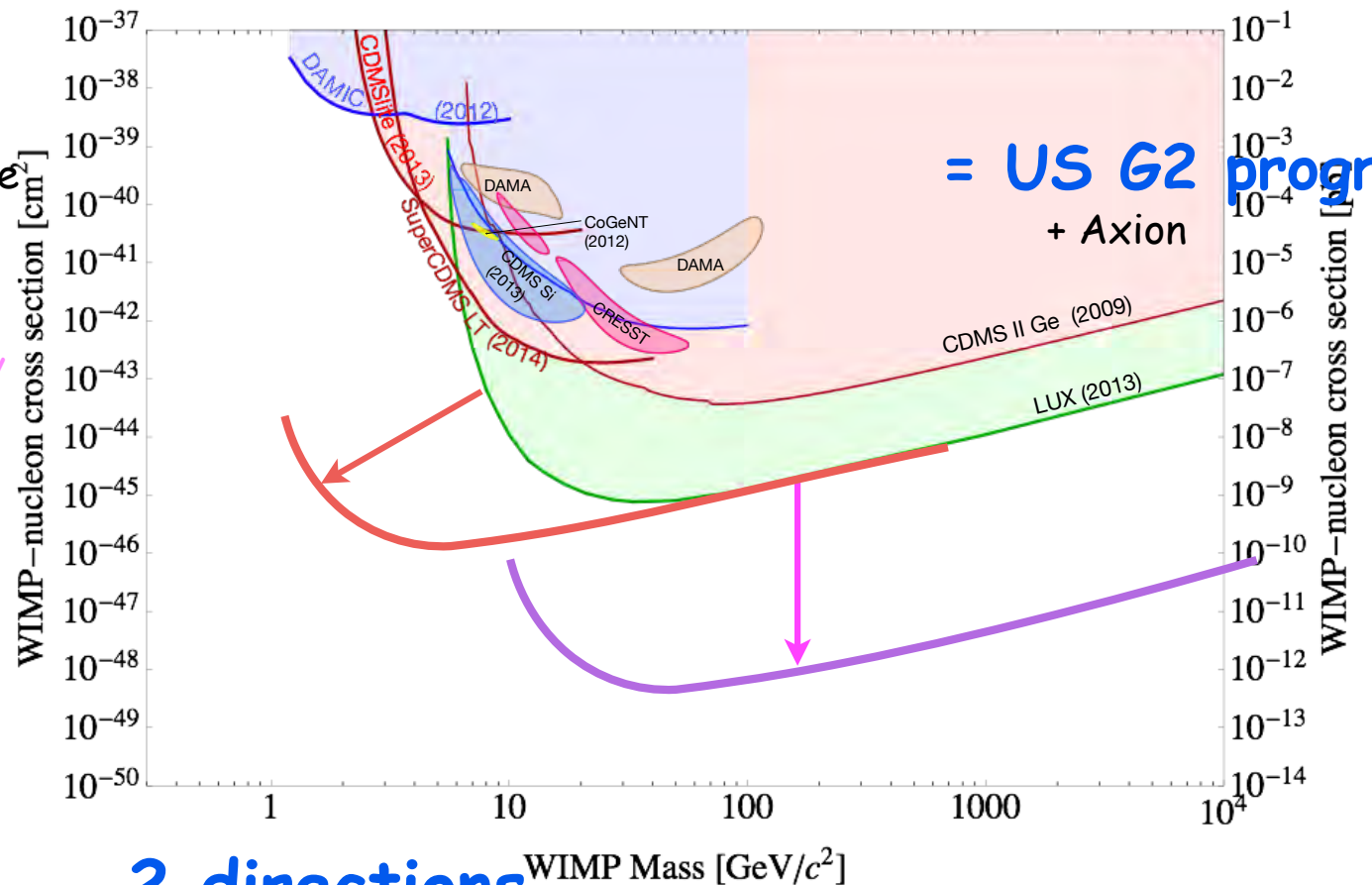
## Low Mass

A number of closed  
contours, and strong  
limits  
What is going on?

Close to threshold:  
Outliers ?

Excluded by  
XENON 100  
LUX  
SuperCDMS Soudan  
CDEX

CDMS does not see any  
significant modulation



## 2 directions

1. Improve  
sensitivity at  
large mass

2. Improve  
sensitivity at  
small mass

# G2 WIMP Sensitivity

## US G2 + Equivalent

Xenon 1T + 7T

XMASS 1.5T 2017, 7T 2019

Not all same statistical assumptions

## SuperCDMS+Eureca

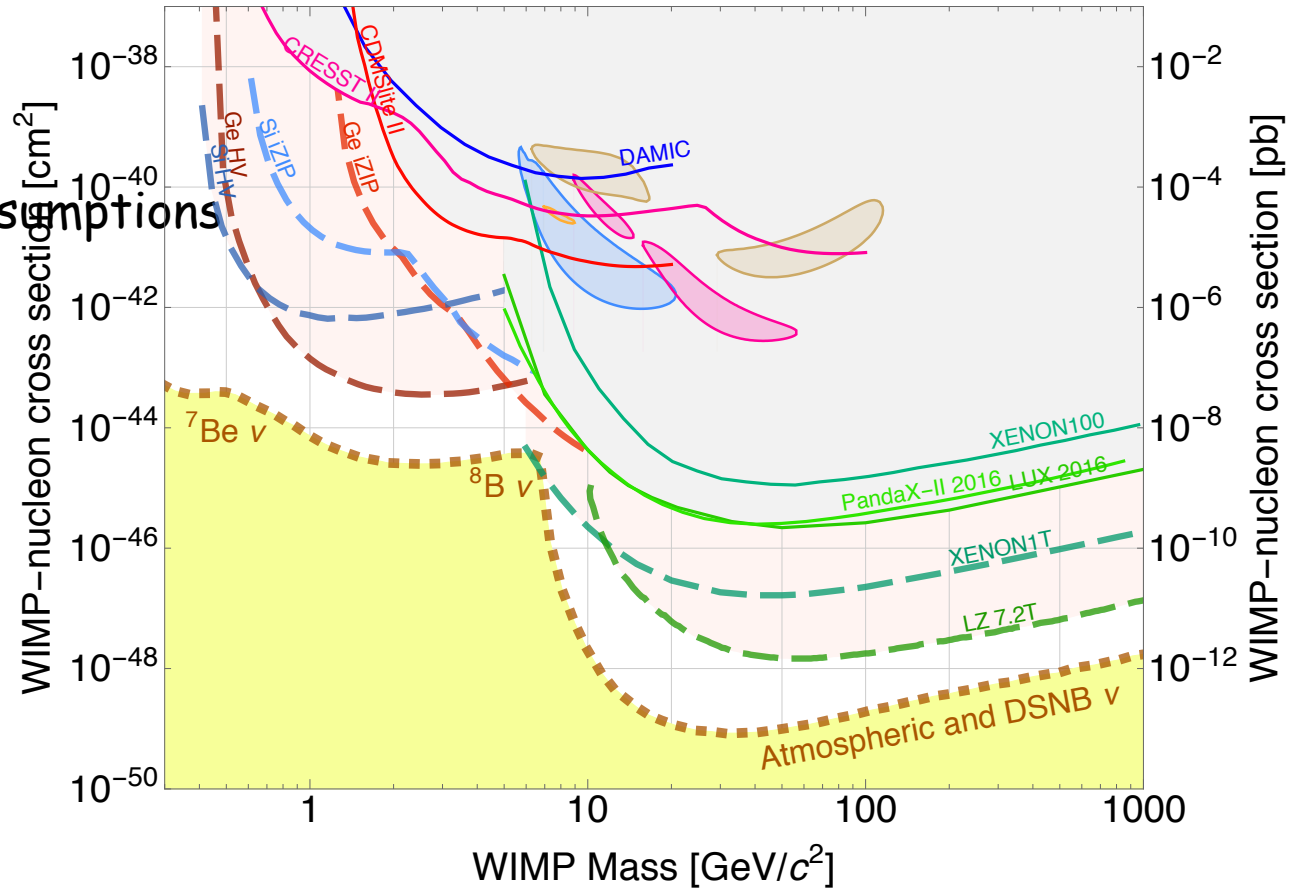
Serious discussion of merging at SNOLAB.

The cryostat is designed to allow such upgrades

## Neutrino floor

None of these experiments reach the "neutrino floor" which assumes subtraction by a factor  $\approx 20$

$^8\text{B}$  coherent neutrino scattering would be interesting: Proof of sensitivity + observation of Coherent Neutrino Scattering



SuperCDMS= Low Mass  
LZ = High Mass  
approaching "neutrino floor"



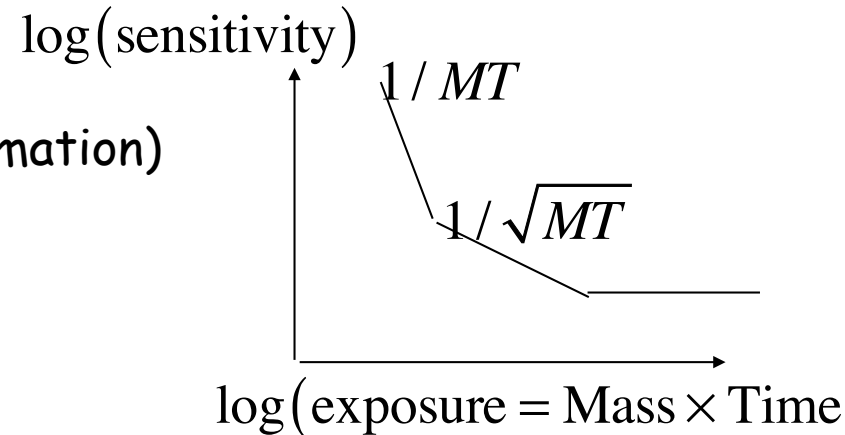
# Basic Challenges

## Lessons learned in the last few years

- Need to have critical mass (target, scientists)
- Need for good calibration (yields)
- Need for good understanding of backgrounds
- Difficulty from outliers (need redundant information)

## How to get unambiguous results?

- The goal should be negligible background!
- We should not abandon blind analyses:
  - only unbiased way
- Use likelihood methods to get confirmation of a signal
  - But extremely sensitive to background model. What about the unknown unknowns?
- Use knowledge acquired about leaking backgrounds to design better detectors



## Complementarity of experiments $\neq$ budgetary constraints

- Real proof requires 2 experiments, which are as different as possible but overlap in sensitivity
- We should pursue both the low and high mass regions (different paradigms)
- We need a variety of targets to elucidate couplings and protect against cancellation. Xe, Ge, Ar
- Missing F, or Na in US G2 but PICO

# Further Out Ideas: Reaching Neutrino Floor

## At high WIMP mass

greater target mass with appropriate reduction of the background (radon emanation,  $^{39}\text{Ar}$ )

20T -50T of Argon

Darwin: Xe+ Ar

PICO (cheap)

H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> detectors (Druikier) for neutrino geology: extremely cheap?

## At low mass

plenty of mass,  
but need to

maximize energy sensitivity e.g., with Luke-Neganov amplification in SuperCDMS HV approach

reduce background

restore background rejection (Matt Pyle)

SuperCDMS HV: increase phonon resolution down to 10eV

Phonon only iZIP with phonons measuring separately ionization and initial phonons

challenge of "dark current" (e.g., IR, injection, metastable auto-ionization state): reject ionization (or phonon) only pulses

Liquid He (McKinsey, Seidel)

Phonon+scintillation (Derenzo)

Simpler low mass ideas? e.g. large gas spheres (Gerbier, Giomataris [arXiv:1512.04346](https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.04346))

# Even Further Out Ideas

## Directionality for conventional WIMPs (J. Billard)

If WIMP is at high mass: 10 tons of low pressure gas (100 torr)=10,000m<sup>3</sup> with cubic mm pixels. Clever schemes based e.g., on CCDs

Even, DNA (Druikier) which through sequencing tricks could provide nm resolution

## Go drastically lower in mass $\approx$ keV (warm dark matter)

Kathryn Zurek/Matt Pyle: breaking Cooper Pair in superconductors  
difficulty of dealing with single quanta (cf. QBits)

## Axion-like particles

Peter Graham and Surjeet Rajendran

time varying nuclear electric dipoles which would precess in an electric field (cf NMR)

+ Dima Budker et al.: Phys. Rev. X 4, 021030 (2014) arXiv:1306.6089

CASPER  $\Rightarrow$  very low mass axions  $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-6}$  eV

## Dark Photons as Dark Matter

Peter Graham and Surjeet Rajendran: Hidden Electric Field

Radio in a Faraday cage

+ Kent Irwin Phys. Rev. D 92, 075012 (2015) arXiv:1411.7382v2

# Conclusions

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## Importance of the 13 TeV LHC run

- Discovery of supersymmetry: still possible
- No supersymmetry (750 GeV di-gamma?)  
Even larger importance of direct detection  $\rightarrow$  Dark Sector (low mass) + High Mass

## Impressive technical progress (Gaitskell plot)

**$\leftarrow$  = R&D!**

## Importance of G2 + equivalent program

- Pushing both down and left

## Do not be afraid to be creative

- Search broadly, not only under the theoretical lamp post
- R&D is essential!
- However, try to reach critical mass: unambiguous results



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# Additional Material

# Recent Input from Particle Physics

cf. Michele Papucci's talk

**Higgs at 126 GeV/c**

**No sign for supersymmetry**

CMSSM too simple  $\rightarrow$  pMSSM, NSSM

Crisis of naturalness?

**No evidence from mono-jets, mono- $\gamma$ 's**

Note: Limits assumes high mass mediator

Dark Sector models have typically low mass mediators

Complementarity with "Dark Photon" searches

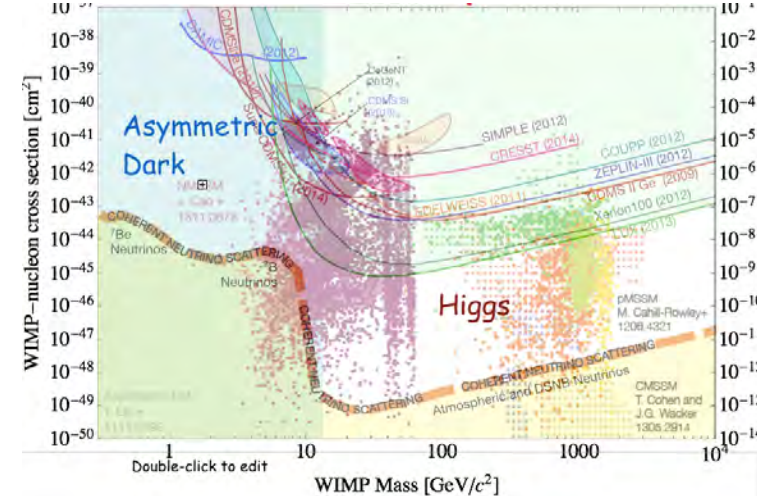
**Basic complementarity**

LHC probes well:

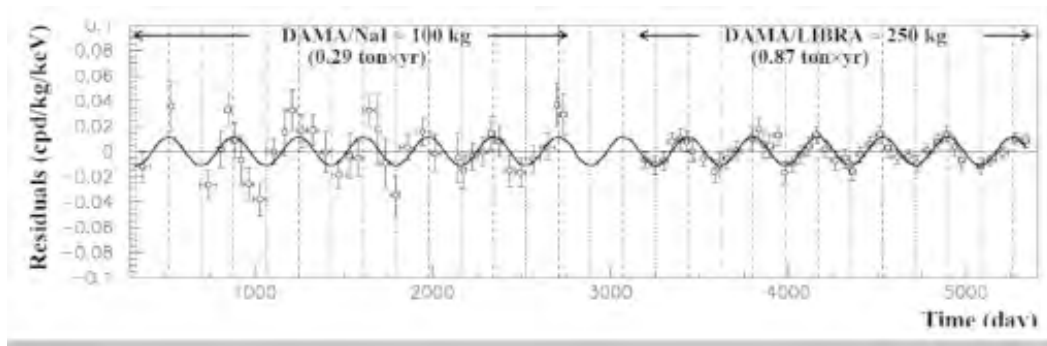
- monojets if high mass mediated
- masses below  $m_H/2$
- intermediate mass in decay of gluinos ( $\approx 6 \times \text{LSP}$ ), but needs to produce it!

Direct Detection:

- light mediators are OK
- loses only linearly at high mass



# NaI: How to prove/disprove DAMA



Clearly modulation  
although not blind

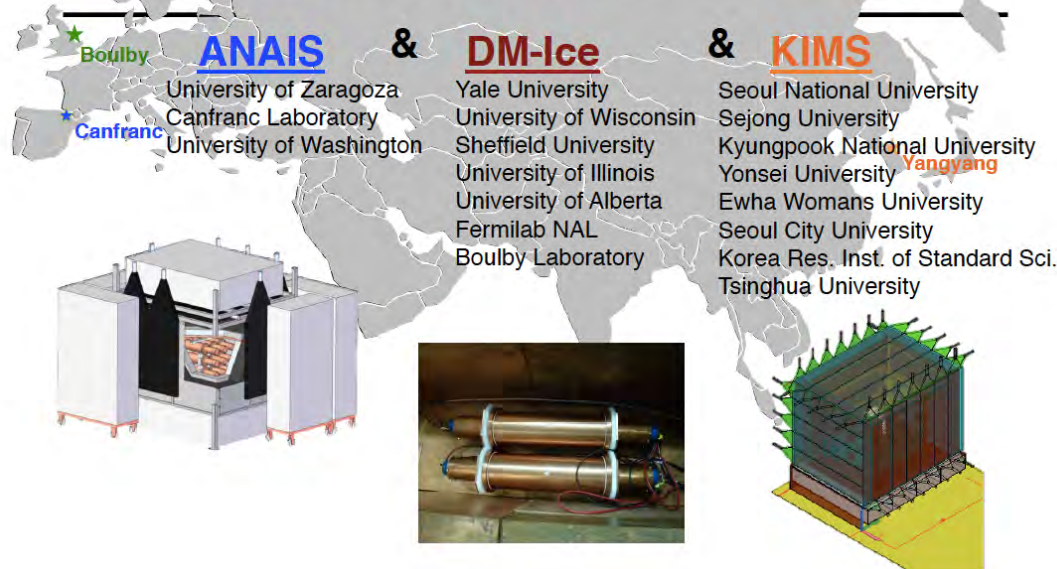
Is it Dark Matter  
or instrumental?

## How do we make progress?

Lower threshold: LIBRA has changed Phototubes to high QE Results 2017

Experiment by other groups: DM-Ice, ANAIS, KIMS, Princeton

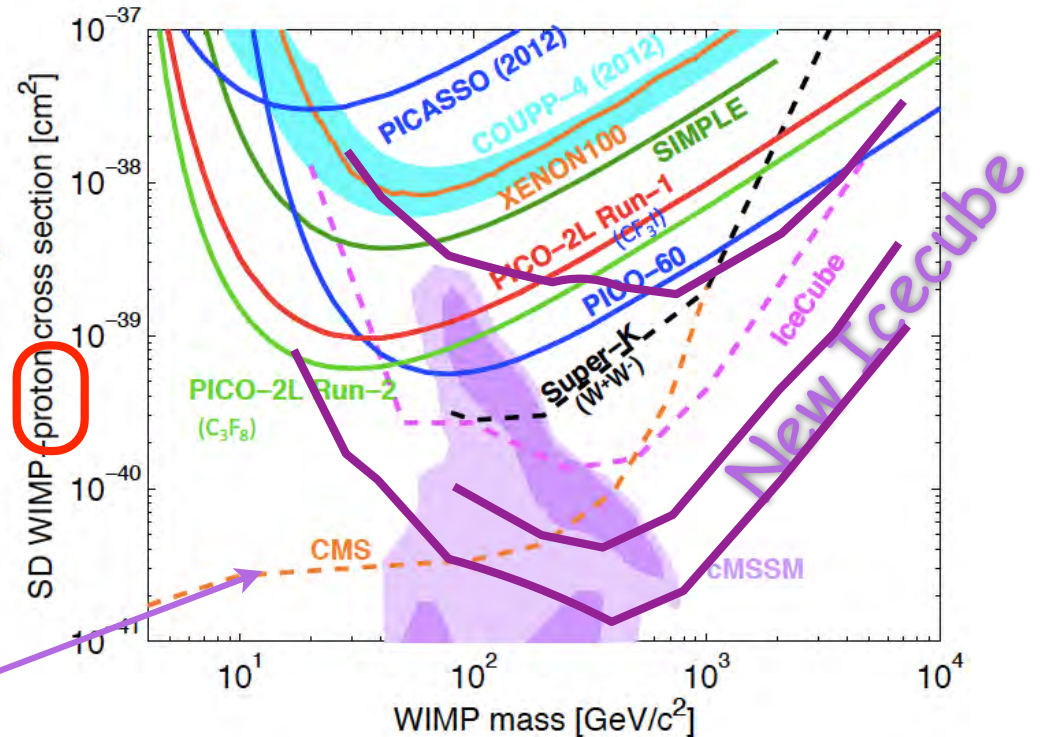
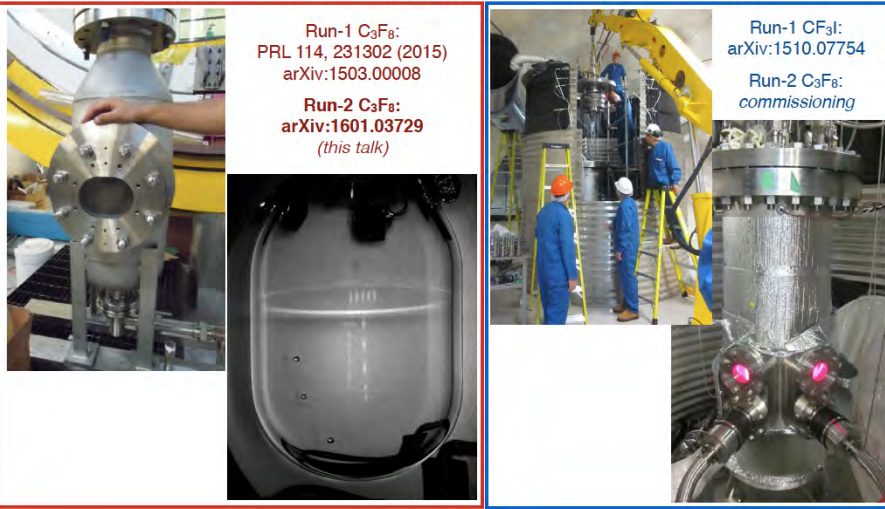
## Global NaI(Tl) Collaborative Effort



# Spin Dependent

Finally entering SUSY region

PICO-2L and PICO-60



LHC Monojets

$$e.g. (\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5\chi)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5q)$$

Heavy mediator

Finally entering SUSY region

Note that SD proton/neutron is an approximation

Many more couplings than axial vector coupling  
Velocity dependent effects (including Fermi)  
cf Haxton, Zurek

arXiv:1405.6690

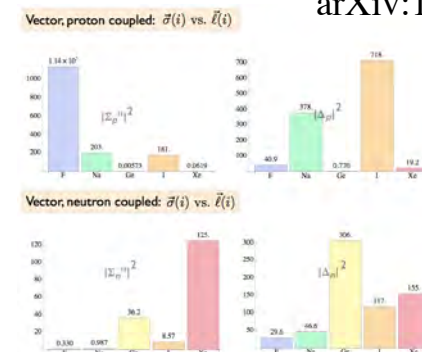


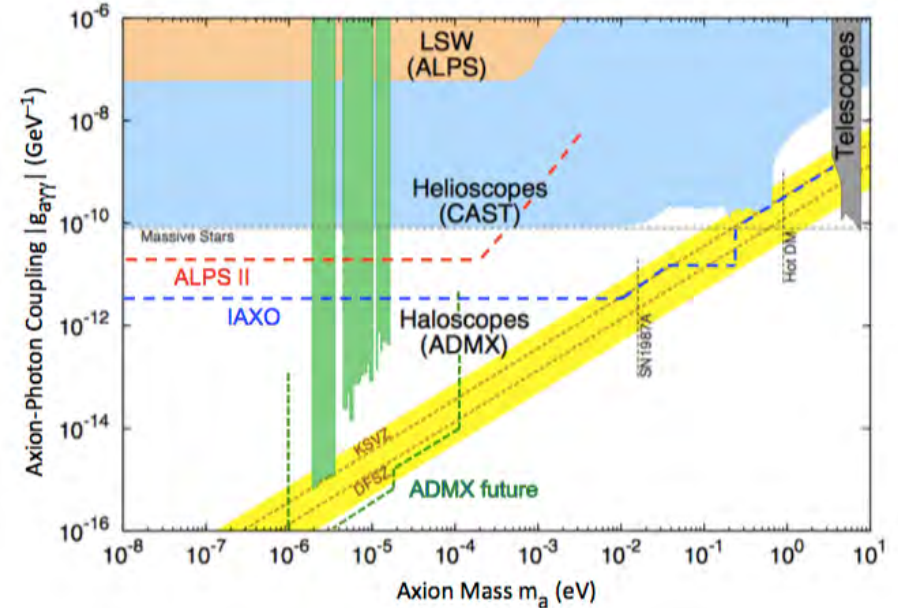
Figure 2. A comparison of the spin response function (the longitudinal and transverse electric components of an axial spin operator, left frames), employed in SUSY analysis, with the orbital angular momentum response function (the transverse magnetic component of the vector velocity operator, right frames). The upper (lower) frames assume a coupling to protons (neutrons). The calculations are taken from the shell-model work of [30,31].



# Axions

Recent article Graham et al. arXiv:1602.00039

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